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Lakewood Man Sentenced to Prison for Sexually Assaulting Girl

A 63-year-old man convicted of sexually molesting a female family member was sentenced today to nine years in state prison, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Ferrell McInnish (dob 3/16/52) of Lakewood pleaded no contest this morning to two felony counts: forcible oral copulation and forcible rape in case VA134930.

At today's sentencing, Los Angeles County Superior Court Judge Peter Espinoza ordered McInnish to register as a sex offender for life. Additionally, the defendant was ordered to stay away from the victim for 10 years.

Deputy District Attorney Troy Davis, who prosecuted the case, said McInnish sexually assaulted the girl between 2009 and 2014.

In April 2014, the girl notified sheriff's deputies of the sexual assaults, the prosecutor said. Several days after the disclosure, authorities arrested McInnish in connection with the crimes.

The defendant has remained in custody since his apprehension.

The case was investigated by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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